

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

CLAIMS

1.-48. (cancelled)

49. (New): A graphical display interface portal, comprising:

a document display area of a user interface display screen, the document display area defining a currently active data object for a user; and

a neighborhood panel presented on the user interface display screen along side with the document display area, such that the neighborhood panel is concurrently illustrated when the currently active data object for the user is present, the neighborhood panel including a list of one or more users and a list of one or more data objects,

the list of one or more users being automatically displayed in the neighborhood panel, each user in the list of one or more users being selected for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship between the user and the currently active data object, the relationship being defined by a metric; and

the list of one or more data objects being automatically displayed in the neighborhood panel, each data object in the list of one or more data objects being selected for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship between the data object and the currently active data object, the relationship being defined by a metric;

wherein automatically displaying the list of one or more users and the list of one or more data objects provides a viewable interrelationship and an accessible link to the users and

data objects that are most related to the currently active data object, as defined by the metric for the users and the metric for the data objects.

50. (New) A graphical display interface portal as recited in claim 49, wherein the neighborhood panel further identifies a history list, the history list defining users and data objects that the user of the currently active data object has accessed or communicated with, the history list being automatically updated and displayed on the user interface display screen.

51. (New): A graphical interface portal of claim 49, wherein the accessible link to either the users or the data objects is presented as an icon, the icon providing a graphical or text indicator of a type for the accessible link.

52. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the currently active data object is one of a word processing document, an email message, a telephone conversation, or a web page.

53. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the users is determined by a number of times the users accessed the currently active data object in the past.

54. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the data object is determined by an amount of common content between the currently active data object and the data object.

55. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the data object is determined by a frequency with which the data object is accessed by one or more users.

56. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the data object is determined by whether the data object is a copy of the currently active data object.

57. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the data object is determined by whether the currently active data object referenced the data object.

58. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the user is determined by whether the user has accessed the data object.

59. (New): A graphical display interface portal of claim 49, wherein the metric for the user is determined by whether the user was contacted.

60. (New): A method of accessing a related item, comprising:
displaying a currently active data object in a display area;

automatically generating a list of related users and data objects for the currently active data object based on a metric;

concurrently displaying the list of related users and data objects in a neighborhood panel, such that the neighborhood panel is displayed along with the currently active data object in the display area; and

enabling access to at least one of the related users or data objects through the neighborhood panel.

61. (New): A method of accessing a related item as recited in claim 53, wherein the neighborhood panel further identifies a history list, the history list defining users and data objects that the user of the currently active data object has accessed or communicated with, the history list being automatically updated and displayed in the display area.

62. (New): A method of accessing a related item as recited in claim 53 wherein the currently active data object is one of a word processing document, an email message, a telephone conversation, or a web page.

63. (New): A method of accessing related item as recited in claim 53, further comprising:

selecting one or more users for display in the neighborhood panel based on a relationship, between the user and the currently active data object, defined by the metric.

64. (New): A method for accessing related item as recited in claim 53, further comprising:

determining the metric for the users by the number of times the users accessed the currently active data object in the past.

65. (New): A method for accessing related item as recited in claim 53, further comprising:

determining the metric for the data object by a frequency with which the data object is accessed by one or more users.

66. (New): A method for accessing related item as recited in claim 53, further comprising:

determining the metric for the data object by an amount of common content between the currently active data object and the data object.